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IRANIAN OIL CRISIS DISCUSSIONS

British Attitude Pleases Persians

Teheran, Aug. 7.

The Cabinet met for two and a half hours tonight to consider the Iranian stand in the Anglo-Iranian oil talks. The Oil Commission chairman also attended and later both the chairman and Dr. Matin Daftari, Iranian delegate to the talks, said they were very optimistic on the outcome.

The chairman, Mr. Saleh, said: "By their present friendly attitude the British seem desirous of reaching a satisfactory solution."

Mr. Richard Stokes, the British Minister for Raw Materials, told a press conference at Abadan tonight that the Anglo-Iranian Oil Company staff must do their work under an organization 100 per cent technically and administratively efficient, which would have to be predominantly British.

"That is what the staff laid down," Mr. Stokes said, adding that he had spent the afternoon talking here with senior members of the Anglo-Iranian Oil Company staff and members of the Joint Consultative Committee.

He had arrived here by air earlier today, followed a few minutes later by Mr. Averell Harriman, President Truman's special envoy, who came in his own plane.

Mr. Stokes and his party were taken on a conducted tour of Abadan housing. With them went Hussein Mokki, the leading Persian protagonist of oil nationalization.

Heavily guarded by troops in jeeps and police in wagons, they went first to the Abadan slum area, where the people live in mud-walled straw-thatched hovels next to the lowest type of housing provided by the oil company for its workers. They did not see any of the better type provided by the company.

Mr. K. B. Ross, the refinery's general manager, told Mr. Stokes that the company had a big housing scheme contracted out. The party then toured the refinery with Mr. Ross as a guide. Later, the Persians gave an official lunch to Mr. Stokes, Mr. Harriman and Anglo-Iranian Oil Company officials.

Meanwhile in Teheran, the Persian Cabinet's Oil Commission met in a joint special

session to consider a letter from Mr. Stokes outlining his general views.

The Commission was expected to draft a reply which would be delivered to the British delegation at a meeting tomorrow evening. This would be after Mr. Stokes had returned from Abadan.

Mr. Harriman, President Truman's special representative, returned to Teheran tonight from his one-day trip to Abadan. — United Press and Reuter.

MICHIGAN ECHO
Ann Arbor, Michigan, Aug. 7. The Iranian oil crisis today prompted the county authorities to drop a speeding violation against the brother of the Shah of Iran.

Prince Mahmoud, Pahlavi, a student at the University of Michigan, could have been sentenced to two days in jail. He had received several tickets for traffic violations before he came here.

The Prince was not in court but was represented by counsel. The county prosecutor asked that his case be dismissed "due to the critical situation in Iran and the present negotiations between that country and the United States."

"It is in the best interests of the people that this case not be prosecuted," he added. — United Press.

BRITAIN RATIOS DOMESTIC COKE
London, Aug. 7. Britain slapped the tightest ration since the war on the use of coke today.

It means fewer baths and colder dishwater for British households. Domestic coke has been rationed since January 1, 1950. — Associated Press.

He Does The Talking



14 KILLED IN AMBUSH

Singapore, Aug. 7. Fourteen Chinese auxiliary police escorting rubber tappers on an estate in Perak were killed in a terrorist ambush today. Three more Chinese police were wounded and a Chinese rubber tapper was killed in one of the worst terrorist incidents in Malaya this year. — Reuter.

BOMB DERAILS TRAIN COACH
Barcelona, Aug. 7. A small bomb exploded inside a tunnel today as the Barcelona-Coruna Express was passing through. A passenger coach was derailed but no casualties were reported.

Other bombs exploded outside the tunnel, bringing down two telegraph poles. The incident occurred between Manresa and Rajadell, about 30 miles from here. — Reuter.

Typhoid On Italian Ship

New York, Aug. 7. A United States coast-guard vessel carrying a public health service doctor was racing through the Atlantic Ocean today to meet the Italian motor ship Taurina (4,636 tons) whose crew is threatened by an outbreak of typhoid fever.

The coast-guard vessel left Miami, Florida, this morning and was due to meet the Italian ship 220 miles south-east of Charleston, South Carolina, shortly before midnight tonight.

Reports from the Italian ship said that two crew members had died from typhoid fever and that the entire crew of 30 was in danger of infection. There was no news from the ship to indicate that the spread of the disease had been checked.

The Italian vessel is coming from Africa. Coast-guard officers said that the typhoid was apparently caused by contaminated drinking water. — Reuter.

ASSASSINATED AT THE TWELFTH ATTEMPT

Grapevine, Texas, Aug. 7. Herbert "The Cat" Noble, 41, Dallas gambler who got his nickname by miraculously escaping 11 assassination attempts, was killed today by a dynamite bomb planted beside the mail box at his ranch here.

The white-haired gambler was literally blown to bits by a cunningly contrived dynamite bomb which blasted him and his car over almost half a mile of countryside when he drove up to his mailbox and opened it.

Police said the assassin, hiding in a clump of bushes about 800 yards away, detonated a tremendous charge of dynamite beneath the car as Noble reached out of the window and grabbed the handle of the box. Wires were found leading from the box to the bushes.

Noble, a large man crippled and paralyzed from 11 previous attempts on his life, died instantly. Gene Oxford, who operates a filling station not far away, said:

"It must have been an awful big charge to scatter the car the way it did. They found pieces of the car a half a mile away."

Oxford said the dynamite was hidden in a shallow excavation and carefully covered again with earth. Connecting wires were dropped into a gully along the roadside and ran under the entrance gate to Noble's ranch along a fence to the bushes where the kills took place at a distance which indicated their respect for the lethal charge.

Two years ago, Noble's wife was killed by a dynamite bomb meant for him when she stepped on the starter of her husband's car. Other attempts on his life were made by both bomb and gunfire. — United Press.

UN Truce Delegates Back In Korea

REDS SILENT ON GEN. RIDGWAY'S CONDITIONS

Tokyo, Aug. 8.

Vice-Admiral C. Turner Joy and members of the cease-fire delegation returned to Korea today landing at 12.16 p.m. after a flight of three hours and 16 minutes from Tokyo.

It was believed that they returned to Korea to be ready to resume the Kaesong talks as soon as the Communists give their unconditional guaranty of neutrality at the conference site.

Meanwhile, Communist radios levelled barrage after barrage of propaganda blasts against the UN today, including a charge that the South Korean troops had used poison gas, but ignored General Matthew B. Ridgway's last conditions for resuming the cease-fire talks.

The next broadcast from Pyongyang was scheduled for 8 p.m. and the next voice cast from Peking at 7.30 p.m. Peking, however, is broadcast in a code around the clock, and it is being monitored on a 24-hour basis by Allied listeners.

A Peking broadcast early today accused ROK forces of using poison gas on the afternoon of June 27, three days after Soviet Ambassador Jacob Malik's proposal that cease-fire talks were to be held.

It said, "The ROK troops were attacking north of Hwachon with the American aggressive forces. The shells were fired from 80-mm mortars. After exploding they emitted a thick yellowish black smoke. Twenty-seven of our men were affected on the spot, two of whom died."

NO REFERENCE
Peking Radio, in English, Korean and Japanese language broadcasts up to 10 p.m. GMT Tuesday, made no reference to General Ridgway's message to the Communist commanders demanding fresh guarantees that Kaesong's neutrality will not be violated again.

The North Korean Pyongyang radio reception in Tokyo this morning was extremely bad and the broadcast could not be understood.

The Peking broadcasts repeated the previous propaganda accusing the UN side of insincerity in the cease-fire negotiations and of bringing trivial incidents to block the smooth progress of the talks.

The broadcasts recalled that the Russian UN delegate, Jacob Malik, suggested an armistice with the 38th Parallel as the demarcation line, but Gen. Ridgway is now demanding a demarcation line north of the 38th Parallel, demonstrating that the UN side does not want a peaceful settlement in Korea. — United Press.

PEACE CRUSADE
United Nations, N.Y., Aug. 7. A delegation from the American Peace Crusade, including the singer Paul Robeson, requested the United Nations Secretary-General, Mr. Trygve Lie, today to issue an appeal for an informal call in the Korean fighting while the cease-fire talks go on.

In apparent criticism of

General Matthew Ridgway's tactics in the talks, the Left Wing group said in a statement: "Every breaking off of discussion, like that of the present moment over accidental violation of formal truce agreements, can mean more death, more devastation."

With Mr. Lie absent on vacation in his native Norway, the group presented its appeal to Mr. Benjamin Cohen, Assistant Secretary in charge of public information.

Mr. Robeson was asked why the appeal to Mr. Lie would not annoy the Russians since the Russians refuse to recognize Mr. Lie's re-election as Secretary-General.

"The Russians want peace," replied the singer. "You saw that letter of President Shvernik's this morning. After all, the functions in the United Nations. They'll accept his good offices. They are willing to have him throw his influence where he has influence."

Mr. Cohen told the delegation it should remember that the United Nations had been "very active all the time in trying to bring an end to hostilities in Korea." He promised to forward the appeal to Mr. Lie. — United Press.

SUEZ CANAL BLOCKADE

Resolution For The Security Council

United Nations, N.Y., Aug. 7.

Britain, the United States and France will ask the Security Council on Thursday to approve a resolution calling upon Egypt to terminate shipping restrictions in the Suez Canal, stressing that maintenance of the blockade jeopardizes the establishment of permanent peace in Palestine.

The three nations agreed late last night on the text of the draft resolution and circulated it today to other Security Council delegations as well as to Egypt, Israel and Iraq. The resolution made no mention of the 1948 Constantinople Convention on the Suez Canal, which Israel charged Egypt has violated — concentrating instead on the effects of the blockade on the Israel-Egyptian armistice agreement.

The resolution noted an interpretation by Lt. Gen. William Riley, chief of the United Nations truce machinery in Palestine, that "all interference in shipping" is a hostile, aggressive act, contrary to the armistice agreement. The draft resolution may have minor changes later when it is introduced. — United Press.

Found With Top Secret Documents

London, Aug. 7. Military police held a Royal Air Force enlisted man on Tuesday for possessing top secret documents.

Alfred Stubbs, 30, who worked in the office of Air Marshal Sir Basil Embury, Commander of the RAF Fighter Command, may be court-martialed. Officials would not disclose the nature of the documents. — United Press.

Cribbers Are Given Choice

West Point, N.Y., Aug. 7. Eighty US military academy cadets who admitted cheating were offered today an opportunity to resign. Otherwise they will be discharged. In either case, Major Gen. Frederick Irving, US Military Academy superintendent, told a press conference that they could become officers in the US Army if they went up through ranks. In the case of 10 other cadets, who denied cheating in examinations, they will be either discharged administratively or be given court martial at the discretion of the Academy superintendent. — United Press.

ROUND WORLD AT 500 mph

BOAC Announce Big Plans

London, Aug. 7. Britain announced plans on Tuesday for an all-jet air service which will whisk passengers around the rapidly shrinking world at 500 miles per hour.

Sir Miles Thomas, Chairman of the government-operated British Overseas Airways Corporation (BOAC), said that within five years BOAC hopes to be operating an all-jet round-the-world air line which will cut present travel scheduled by more than one half.

Sir Miles said it ultimately will be possible for a traveller in British airlines to circle the globe in three and a half days, compared to the eight days now required.

THE KEY PLANE
The Key to Britain's air ambitions is the de Havilland Comet swept-wing four-jet airliner, which British designers say is superior to anything the United States can develop. In time to come, some Comets will be delivered, Sir Miles predicted, by the end of 1951.

BOAC's London-Cairo line will be the world's first passenger jet service. Cruising speed of the current Comet model is 500 mph but its main drawback is its relatively short range. New models with more powerful engines are planned, and BOAC hopes to offer trans-Atlantic jet service in two years. Once the Atlantic is mastered, round-the-world jet service will be only a question of time. — United Press.

135 Miles Into The Air

Rocket Breaks All Altitude Records

New Mexico, Aug. 7.

A Navy source said the Navy Viking rocket soared at least 135 miles into the air above the steaming New Mexico sands today, breaking all altitude records for single stage rockets.

The missile threaded its way through scattered white clouds into the blue of stratosphere at 6 p.m. GMT.

The firing had been delayed for several times by technical difficulties after being advanced from the afternoon to avoid expected heavy clouds.

The official altitude was not immediately announced, but Captain A. E. Euhlinger said the rocket had topped 135 miles. The previous record was 114 miles set by a German-built VT rocket fired here in 1940.

Mr. Frank Pace, Secretary of the Army watched the record-breaking shoot from a point some three miles from the launching platform.

Naval personnel worked on the missile seventh in a series of 10 to be fired for the past 40 days.

The rocket apparently remained in the air for about 10 minutes and landed some 41 miles north of the launching platform. Salvage crews went to recover various recording machines. — United Press.

OVERTIME BANNED

London, Aug. 7. About 450 manual workers of 7,000 at 12 of London's 28 power stations decided tonight to ban overtime and "work to rule" (go slow) after rejection of a claim for a 10 per cent wage increase.

In effect the workers' unofficial action is that plant, out of action for summer overhaul will take longer to get back into service. Power supplies will be unaffected. — Reuter.

COMMENT OF THE DAY

Nothing But Propaganda

IN the normal course of events a communication such as that which the Soviet President has addressed to Mr. Truman would immediately have the effect of easing the international tension and would raise high hopes among all peoples that world peace was about to be firmly established. Unhappily there can be no such reaction to this latest Russian gesture. It is neither new in design, nor is it couched in terms which suggest sincerity. In fact the letter is interlarded with a number of specious declarations, the most striking perhaps being the claim that Russia has been and still is too engrossed in "executing the tasks of peaceful reconstruction" even to think of war or preparations for it. Yet it is established that Soviet Russia today has ready for instant use the largest peace-time army and air force in history. For the most part Mr. Shvernik's letter is characteristic Soviet propaganda—soothing and seductive in sentiment and phraseology. It advances only one positive suggestion—the conclusion of a five-power anti-war treaty. Superficially this is innocent enough, but the motive behind the proposition becomes suspect when it is appreciated that

members of the United Nations, of which Russia is one, have already committed themselves to work together for the promotion of world peace. The Soviets have long shown they are not prepared to play their proper role in this organization to further its peaceful aims, which leaves the conviction that Russia would have no more respect for a private treaty than she has for the United Nations charter. The Kremlin suggests that the cold war, which Russia initiated, requires a five-power agreement to bring it to an end. In reality Russia could stop the cold war tomorrow if she so desired; no special or specific pact is required. What the world awaits is a demonstration by the Soviets of their honesty of purpose. High-sounding phrases are meaningless unless they are accompanied by actions in keeping with sentiments. To date Russia's behaviour in Europe and the Far East gives the lie direct to her protestations that she is interested only in preserving peace. Until and unless she practises what she preaches, overtures such as that made by Mr. Shvernik to President Truman must be discounted as propaganda.

Now The Communists Know

GENERAL Ridgway's reply to the Communist "explanation" of the Kaesong incident which peremptorily brought the cease-fire talks to a stop should be sufficient to remove any lingering doubts about the United Nations' determination to have the negotiations conducted in a proper manner. General Ridgway is fully justified in using such a firm tone and to insist that the conditions under which the truce talks are conducted shall be "scrupulously observed and respected" by the Communists. It cannot be said that some of the tactics employed by the Com-

munist at Kaesong have either marked them as clever negotiators or helped their cause. Their attitude has created a suspicion that they have underrated the United Nations delegates, believing that once they could get them to the conference table they would meekly accept whatever terms the Communists felt inclined to propose. If such were the case the Reds now know they sadly mislead themselves. They have only themselves to blame for being strictly on the defensive at this moment. From now on they must either conduct themselves correctly or be held responsible for a complete breakdown of the truce talks.

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A. Choice Cut Of Tahr!

New York, Aug. 7. Choice chops and steaks of Tahr goats, llama, caribou, bison, and reindeer went up for sale at a new market which opened here today.

Official eggs \$4.00 each.

Zoological notes: Llama—the South American relative of the camel.

Caribou: The North American member of the deer family.

Tahr goats: Wild bearded, long-necked, found in Arabia, Southern India and the Himalayas. — Reuter.

Pleven's Hopes Bright

ALMOST CERTAIN TO BE PREMIER

Paris, Aug. 7. The near-Radical, Mr. Rene Pleven, 50, fourth political leader to try to form a Cabinet since Mr. Henri Queuille's Government resigned on July 10, is to make a policy declaration to the National Assembly tomorrow morning.

With Radical Party support agreed today, and the support of the other centre parties—Conservatives, Popular Republicans and Socialists—already assured, his appointment as Premier seems certain.

There was, however, less certainty today about his ability to form a government, with the strong Socialist faction opposing participation in it.

A Socialist stay-out might make the Radicals hesitate to serve in the Government, since they are believed not to relish the idea of Socialists being the only third force party opposing a government pledged to help religious schools.

Mr. Pleven's school aid scheme provided for a maximum of 10,000 million francs for Catholic schools now in existence, stipulating that the money must not go to start new ones, and leaving future Ministers free to vote for or against the measure according to conscience.

Mr. Pleven is also pledged to revise salaries in September.

He has rejected a sliding scale plan of the Socialists but mollified them by agreeing to frequent meetings of the Commission for Collective Agreement (on pay) to study the cost of living. — Reuter.

Far Eastern Nations Need Most Help

Oslo, Aug. 7. The Congress of the World University Services, which has been meeting for the past fortnight in the buildings of the Norwegian Agricultural College at Aas, near Oslo, ended last night.

India, Pakistan, Burma and Indonesia are among the countries most needing help, it was decided, and they will receive the greater part of the 1,000,000 Swiss francs which the organization has at its disposal.

Other enterprises agreed to by the Congress were assistance for the building of a hostel for refugee students in the Lebanon, a grant to Jerusalem University for books and educational material and help in building a student hospital in Cairo.

In Europe help to Greek students will be continued and Yugoslavia will receive much needed educational material. Work among refugee students in Germany will be concentrated on obtaining vacancies for them in American universities.

All the Organization's funds are obtained by voluntary contributions. — Reuter.

ELATH SEES MORRISON

London, Aug. 7. The Israeli Minister in London, Mr. Elath, called on the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Herbert Morrison, today.

An Israeli Legation spokesman said that Mr. Elath spent an hour with Mr. Morrison discussing all outstanding problems in the Middle East.

Usually well-informed quarters suggest that they discussed two main topics:

1.—The effect on Israel of the assassination last month of King Abdullah of Jordan.

2.—The British, French and United States decision to introduce a resolution into the Security Council last Thursday, condemning "any act of violence against the Jews."

LORD MAYOR ON GOODWILL TOUR



Emergency Meeting In Bonn

Bonn, Aug. 7.

Top Allied and German leaders were summoned today for an emergency meeting to discuss the tightening Russian blockade on West Berlin exports.

Informed quarters said the question of a military airlift might come but predicted there would be no immediate revival of the famous airlift operation which once before saved Berlin.

A small-scale commercial airlift is now flying blockaded goods out of Berlin to Western Germany.

The three Allied High Commissioners today met the German Vice-Chancellor, Franz Blücher, who is deputising for the Chancellor, Dr. Konrad Adenauer. Dr. Adenauer is on holiday in Switzerland. — United Press.

Canada's 'No' To Alliance

Ottawa, Aug. 7.

Mr. L. B. Pearson, Canadian External Affairs Minister, said today that Canada would not enter into a defensive alliance like the one between the United States, New Zealand and Australia.

Mr. Pearson was replying to Sir Earle Page, Australian Minister of Health, who earlier today said that his country would be "only too pleased" to have Canada join in the defensive alliance.

Mr. Pearson said that the agreement was not a collective security pact in the same sense as the North Atlantic treaty, but a defensive arrangement between three Pacific countries. — Reuter.

NO DANGER TO FOOD SUPPLY

New York, Aug. 7.

The New York State Food Merchants' Association was told today that the current food crop was so great that not even the recent mid-West floods will affect the nation's food supply.

The statement was made by Patey Dagostino, of New York, past President of the National Association of Retail Grocers. — Associated Press.

CAUTION AND SUSPICION

Reaction To Shvernik's Call

West Views Move As Just Another Propaganda Stunt

London, Aug. 7.

The Western nations are in no rush today to accept Moscow's latest call for a Big Five "peace conference" which was widely seen as a new move in Russia's propaganda campaign.

Western United Nations circles at Lake Success linked the message of the Soviet President, Mr. Nikolai M. Shvernik, to President Truman with the "Stockholm petition" and efforts to stall the growing Western defence drive. Government spokesmen were cautious and suspicious.

Essentially, the proposal indicates no change in recent Communist international policy in which propaganda for a Big Five conference had been one of the main planks.

At the same time there are a few superficial differences between the suggestion made last night by Mr. Shvernik and an earlier Soviet proposal for a five-power conference made by the Soviet Foreign Minister, Mr. Andrei Vyshinsky, to the United Nations General Assembly last October.

The text of the resolution tabled by Mr. Vyshinsky called for a conference to consult on maintaining world peace under the provisions of Article 106 of the United Nations Charter.

This provides for co-operation between the permanent members of the Security Council in the period before United Nations forces for military service with the United Nations Organisation.

This proposal was interpreted as a challenge to the Assembly as a move specifically directed at blocking the resolution then before the United Nations. It was accordingly voted down.

Mr. Shvernik's proposal is in a sense more ambitious. It raises the possibility of a five-power peace pact aiming specifically at the limitation of armaments and the prohibition of atomic weapons.

FIXED RELIEF

There are several reasons for the basic mistrust displayed in Western capitals to this and earlier Soviet proposals for generalised peace conferences and peace pacts.

The evidence available in all these capitals of the growth of Soviet armed forces and of the re-arming of Communist-controlled territories, is a fixed belief in London and Washington that Soviet rearmament and particularly the rearmament of Eastern Germany preceded the Atlantic Pact defence scheme.

A further reason for general distrust of the Soviet proposal is the belief that the Soviet Government at the least cannot and possibly backed the North Korean invasion of South Korea which started the present campaign.

One earnest of Moscow's sincerity in the quest for peace, it is thought here, would be the use of the Soviet Government's influence to bring the Katsong cease-fire talks to a successful conclusion.

If the cease-fire talks succeeded, it is possible that the West would view a proposal for a Big Five conference in a different light.

The Powers concerned would then have to face the question of how to convert an armistice arranged in the field into a lasting peace and for this purpose a five-power conference might prove the best method. — Reuter.

Canada's 'Stand On NATO

Ottawa, Aug. 7.

The Canadian Cabinet will this week consider Canada's stand on the possible inclusion of Greece and Turkey in the North Atlantic Pact, Mr. Lester Pearson, External Affairs Minister, told a Press conference here today.

Both Britain and the United States favour full Atlantic Pact partnership for the two countries, he said.

During his recent European tour, he stated, he had found general approval for closer association between Europe and Greece and Turkey. — Reuter.

to the Soviet Union to live up to peace obligations it has already undertaken in the United Nations Charter.

State Department Press Officer Michael J. McDermott said that if and when Mr. Truman answers Mr. Shvernik's letter, which he received on Monday, his answer will follow the same line as the statement.

In effect, the State Department applied a yardstick of deeds not words, to the Russian proposal and found it wanting. This yardstick likewise was applied today to the latest Communist moves in connection with the Katsong peace talks, the American position in this respect being stated by the State Department's radio "The Voice of America."

A prepared script made available here noted that the Reds had backed down on the question of having their armed troops in the previously agreed neutral area of Katsong. But the Voice of America said this will be "useful" only if followed up by demonstration of a sincere intent to "get down to business." — Associated Press.

SPECULATION IN U.S.

Washington, Aug. 7.

Observers here saw significance in the fact that the United States rejection of the Soviet proposal for a five-power peace pact was issued through the routing State Department spokesman, Mr. Michael McDermott.

The fact that the reply did not come from either President Truman or the Secretary of State, Mr. Dean Acheson, to whom the President of the Soviet Presidium, Dr. Nikolai Shvernik, specifically directed his communication, underlined the current State Department interpretation of the letter as a purely propaganda manoeuvre.

It was assumed that the Soviet Press would publish side by side the resolution of both the United States Congress and the Soviet President in the same way that it recently published a statement by the British Foreign Secretary, Mr. Herbert Morrison, with the Soviet answers to his criticism.

The only speculation here was what motivated the Soviet Government, after a month's delay, to rush so speedily through their usually slow diplomatic channels the resolution passed by the Soviet Presidium only yesterday.

Was it designed to provide propaganda material for the Communist Youth Festival in Berlin? Was it forced upon them by the success of the American "Voice of America" broadcasts in making the American Congress' resolution of friendship known to the Russian public?

Was it designed as part of a completed propaganda manoeuvre to emphasise American responsibility for the frustration of the Communist peace efforts, including the Korean armistice talks at Katsong?

Was it a clumsy attempt to revive again the question of the recognition of the Communist regime in China as an essential participant in any five-power peace pact conference? — Reuter.

REVEALING FACT

Geneva, Aug. 7.

Mr. B. Lubin, American representative on the United Nations Economic and Social Council, said today that Soviet Russia had not contributed "a single

red rouble" to United Nations assistance programmes.

Mr. Lubin, who was attacking the sincerity of Soviet statements that the Communist countries wanted to collaborate with the rest of the world, told the Council at today's session that Russia had contributed nothing to the United Nations Children's Emergency Fund, to the Palestine Refugee Fund or to the International Refugee Organisation.

"To the United Nations special account for expanded technical assistance to underdeveloped countries Russia has not contributed a single red rouble. And there are the people for whom they come here and weep," Mr. Lubin said.

He added that America did not regard war as inevitable but that an adequate defence was the basis for negotiation with countries that understood only one thing—force. — Reuter.

FBI ROUNDS UP RED LEADERS

Washington, Aug. 7.

The Government today announced the arrest of five more Communist leaders at Baltimore, New York and Cleveland.

FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover said the newly arrested Reds were active in Communist Party work in Washington and Baltimore.

Among them was Roy Wood, chairman of Communist Party work in Washington and Baltimore.

They were arrested on warrants issued at Baltimore on the basis of a complaint filed by an FBI agent with United States Commissioner E. V. Volkmann. Other arrested were Dorothy Home Blumberg, 47, of Brooklyn, former Treasurer and Education Director of District Four of the Party at Baltimore; Philip Frankfield, 44, of Cleveland, organizer for District Six at Cleveland; Regina Frankfield, 41, wife of Philip, former organizer of District Four at Baltimore; George Aloyaus Meyers, 38, Baltimore chairman and organizer of District Four at Baltimore. — United Press.

PI's Agreement With Israel

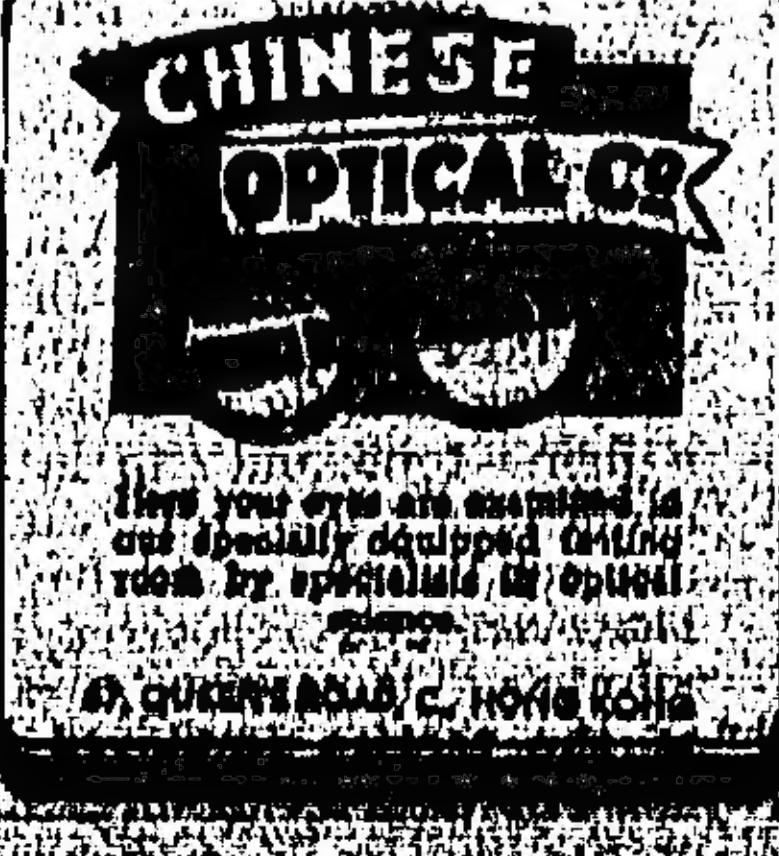
London, Aug. 7.

An air agreement between the Philippines and Israel was signed today by the Israeli Foreign Minister, Mr. Moshe Sharett, and Mr. Felipe Neri, Philippine Under Secretary for Foreign Affairs, Jerusalem Radio said tonight.

The agreement insured regular transport services between the two countries as well as the Philippine Airlines had been using Lydda airport under a provisional "hotting" licence.

Both Mr. Sharett and Mr. Neri expressed the hope that the present agreement would strengthen the relations between the two countries and pave the way to further agreements. — Reuter.

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Property Seizure Clause In Japan Peace Treaty

163-Wing Air Force Proposed

VINSON WANTS A VAST INCREASE

Washington, Aug. 7. Mr. Carl Vinson, Chairman of the House Armed Services Committee, today proposed a vast increase in United States air power.

The Democratic Congressman from Georgia, in a statement, called for the expansion of the Air Force to 163 wings—nearly double the number now in existence—and for the construction of three super-aircraft carriers.

Mr. Vinson said that the Air Force should have 138 combat wings—or groups—and 25 carrier wings.

The Air Force now has 67 wings and is building to an immediate goal of 95.

The Secretary of Defense, General George Marshall, said two weeks ago that the aircraft industry was being asked to increase its production capacity to permit an expansion to 180 wings.

The size of a wing varies from 30 heavy bombers like the B30 to 75 fighters.

Mr. Vinson said that the new aircraft carriers should be super-carriers, of nearly 60,000 tons, which would have disappearing bridges to permit the take off and landing of big bombers.

Mr. Vinson plans to introduce legislation to authorize the expansion programme and his Committee would begin immediate hearings on the matter.—Reuter.

Youthful Reds Battle Police

Coburg, Aug. 7. West German police in the border area here today used their clubs and firearms in battling about 600 West German Communist youths who tried to force their way into East Germany to attend the East Berlin Communist World Youth Festival.

The youths, who came from all parts of West Germany, were armed with heavy sticks and stones, the police said.

About 150 youths were arrested and 280 others were sent back home. It is not yet known what happened to the rest of the group.—Reuter.

Technical Aid For Backward Nations: UN Board Reports

Geneva, Aug. 7.

Twelve experts have been recruited in India so far for the implementation of the United Nations programme of technical help to underdeveloped countries, the United Nations Technical Assistance Board reported today.

On the other hand, India is to receive 42 scientific and technical experts to help her with her big development schemes.

In addition, 57 Indian nationals have either received or will receive United Nations fellowships for technical training abroad.

The Board's third annual report to the United Nations Economic and Social Council on the \$20,000,000 "expanded programme" said that the financial cost of this aid to India in the first year of the programme is estimated to be about \$397,776.

According to the report, 64 countries had made 500 requests which were being considered. The requests sought training fellowships for 7,147 of their nationals and a total of 1,415 highly trained technical experts to help with projects to raise living standards.

Other Asian countries receiving technical assistance during the first financial period of the programme include: Pakistan, \$403,000, to be spent on 64 experts and 83 fellowships; Ceylon, \$400,000, 63 experts and 21 fellowships; Burma, \$271,000, 47 experts and 57 fellowships; and Indonesia, \$265,000, 38 experts and 49 fellowships. Iran has one of the largest allocations under the plan, with a total of \$794,000, to be spent on 99 experts and 49 fellowships.

The experts will help the Iranian Government to implement its seven-year development plan.

The report states that under the aid programme agreements already signed, 741 experts for 46 countries and the remaining contracts would be signed before the end of the year.

The United Nations had granted 551 scholarships to date and would award 99 more by December.

Of the 449 experts recruited by the United Nations under the programme up to June this year, 120 were from the United States, 49 from Britain, 38 from New Zealand, 37 from France, 24 from Canada, 14 from Switzerland, 13 from India and 78 from Australia.

The 449 experts were recruited from 46 other countries. They are working in 40 major fields including: agriculture, forestry, fisheries, health, technical education, vocational training, social work, and administration. In South Asia, South America and the Middle East.—Reuter.

Washington, Aug. 7.

A State Department official said today that the paragraph of the proposed peace treaty with Japan, which deals with the right of the Allied powers to seize Japanese-owned property, was being rewritten to satisfy objections raised by Chile, Peru and Mexico.

A sub-paragraph of Article 14 of the draft treaty was being rephrased to take into account procedure used by the Latin American countries in seizing Japanese property held under their jurisdiction during World War II.

The sub-paragraph was designed to limit the rights of the Allied powers henceforth to seize Japanese property against which action has not already been taken.

The spokesman said it was phrased to fit the wartime practice of the United States and most European powers of "seizing Japanese property selectively".

In Latin America most governments had issued a blanket decree of seizure and subsequently made exceptions in individual properties held by "friendly" Japanese.

Article 14 Paragraph 2 Sub-Paragraph 1 of the draft treaty reads: "Each of the Allied Powers shall have the right to seize (all Japanese property), the property of Japanese nationals who during the war resided with the permission of the government concerned, in the territory of one of the Allied Powers, except property subjected during that period to measures not generally applied by the government of the territory where the property was situated to property of other Japanese nationals resident in such territory."

The spokesman said the language of the sub-paragraph would be "generalized so as to eliminate any implication that new seizures of previously untouched property are to be condoned."

The State Department official said only one other exception to the draft treaty had been taken by a Latin American government. He said Chile raised a translation point in the official Spanish-language draft of Article 2 Paragraph 5 in which "Japan renounces all claim to any right or title to any part of the Antarctic area."

He explained that the Spanish text of the paragraph, according to the Chilean interpretation, left the impression that Japan was renouncing what might have been a valid claim to specific rights in the Antarctic area. The Spanish text would be amended to conform with the

English, which contains no implications of former Japanese rights in Antarctica.—United Press.

TECHNICAL REVISION

Washington, Aug. 7.

A spokesman for the State Department's Japanese treaty experts said today that the Japanese experts had said, in a July 12 statement, that the requested additional comments would be received until July 20. But the latter date was changed to August 13.

The spokesman said the present conference concerning the pact is giving consideration to additional comments and new proposals received since the proposed treaty was announced on July 12.

The consultations follow the previously announced plans concerning the pact in which Mr. Dulles had said, in a July 12 statement, that the requested additional comments would be received until July 20. But the latter date was changed to August 13.

The Department spokesman said today "The objective is to circulate among the possible signatories the technical revision for the proposed text, this circulation taking place as near August 13 as possible but not likely before August 15."

Official sources said that by "technical revision" it was meant the "changing of phraseology here and there and other minor revisions."

POLICY UNCHANGED

One Department spokesman said that the version already circulated is "merely being polished up, but nothing concerning policy in it is involved."

This appears to bear out Mr. Dulles' statement of July 12 that both the British and United States Governments, sponsors of the pact, consider that policy matters and other major treaty matters have "already been discussed among the nations and nothing is to be gained by reopening them."

However, Mr. Dulles at that time—and other Department spokesmen since then—have indicated that final discussions of the proposed text as well as the signing will take place at San Francisco in early September.

Several Washington representatives of the possible signatory nations expect the revised treaty text to be sent to their governments as soon as the present "polishing up" is completed. But they agreed with the State Department spokesman that they expect only minor adjustments. They were of the opinion that any further consideration of major provisions of the pact will occur at San Francisco.—Associated Press.

FARM HANDS ON STRIKE

Kassel, Aug. 7.

Thousands of Hessian farm hands will join 20,000 striking for more pay in Northern Hesse and Lower Saxony, the Hessian Central Strike Committee announced today.

Most of the strikers—about 18,000—are in Lower Saxony, one of West Germany's richest agricultural provinces.

The 4,000 and forest employers' organization said that only 1,000 farm hands are on strike in Northern Hesse today and claimed that the volunteers to help with the harvest were turning up as fast as the farm hands walked out.

These volunteers were taken to the farms by bus, car and tractor. The farm hands generally demand a 10 per cent wage increase.—Reuter.

Ballerina Shows Her Costume To The Duchess Of Kent



The Duchess of Kent, her large triple-pendant diamond earring hanging forward on her cheek, studies the costume of Ballerina Helene Armfeldt, of the International Ballet at the Royal Festival Hall.—London Express Service.

Trying To Settle Dispute On Suez "Out Of Court"

United Nations, Aug. 7.

Diplomats here have almost abandoned hopes of finding an "out of court" solution to the problem of Egypt's blockade of the Suez Canal.

The final draft of a resolution—believed to call on Egypt to lift the blockade—for Thursday's Security Council meeting was handed to Mahmoud Fawzi Bey, Egypt's chief delegate here, yesterday and transmitted to Cairo instantly.

The British and United States Ambassadors in the Egyptian capital, Sir Ralph Stevenson and Mr. Jefferson Caffery, had been instructed to follow up the matter with the Egyptian Government, it was understood here.

An American source said that their action represented the only

Effort To End Crisis In Syria

Beirut, Aug. 7.

Hassan el Hakeem, Premier under the French mandate, was asked today to form a Cabinet after Fawzi el Khoury's withdrawal.

Despite the Army's promise of full co-operation, el Khoury failed to form a coalition including parties not represented in Parliament because they boycotted the last election, due to the largest party's (People's Party) refusal to co-operate with Republican groups. El Hakeem is reportedly friendly with both the People's Party and the Muslim Brotherhood, his answer is expected tonight.

President Atassi is not willing to dissolve the Chamber because he (1) wants to spare the country political upheavals and (2) wants the budget voted so the Government will not lack appropriations.

The People's Party has long refused to enter the Cabinet as the Army insists on keeping the Army budget outside Parliamentary control. This dual authority has caused repeated Cabinet crises in the past 14 months since the People's Party resigned protestation the problem could not be solved until either the Army or the political elite way. Should el Hakeem fail, el Khoury may be approached again.—United Press.

Beer-Drinking Champions

Bonn, Aug. 7.

Belgium is the country with the world's biggest beer drinkers.

The German Brewers' Association, working on figures of the Geneva World Abstinence Bureau, estimated today that Belgium in 1950 drank 135 litres per head, compared with Britain's 92 litres, the United States' 80 litres and Canada's 61 litres. Germany, the brewers noted with regret, was well down at the tail of the list, drinking only 40 litres, the same amount as the Republic of Colombia.—Reuter.

Doubtful Trade Future

Washington, Aug. 7.

American-Philippine commercial relations may be entering a new phase as the aftermath of the new Philippine import control law and the possibility of peace in Korea, government trade experts told the United Press today. Future expansion of trade volume may become more difficult.

Theoretically, the new Philippine import controls designed to reduce the cost of living in the islands would tend to increase the volume of export sales to the Philippines. But large quantities of the chief controlled food products were previously shipped to the Philippines and there is considerable uncertainty as to how the law will operate in view of its rather flexible administrative provisions.—United Press.

Naval Exercises In Indian Ocean

London, Aug. 7.

Indian warships will this month visit the British base at Trincomalee, Ceylon, for exercises with British warships of the East Indies Fleet, the Admiralty announced today.

The announcement said that this was part of the training facilities offered for warships of the new Commonwealth countries of India, Pakistan and Ceylon.

The Indian frigates Cauvery, Kistna, Jumna, the destroyers Rajput, Rana and Ranjit and the cruiser Delhi, India's flagship, will all take part.—Reuter.

Wheat Vessel Cheered

Bombay, Aug. 7.

Crowds cheered the arrival today of the first shipment of wheat to arrive under the \$2,000,000-ton loan agreement between India and the United States.

An American freighter docked with 9,450 tons of wheat, Indian and American flags, decorated the ship, and the first bag presented to Indian officials was made up of the flag of the two countries.—United Press.

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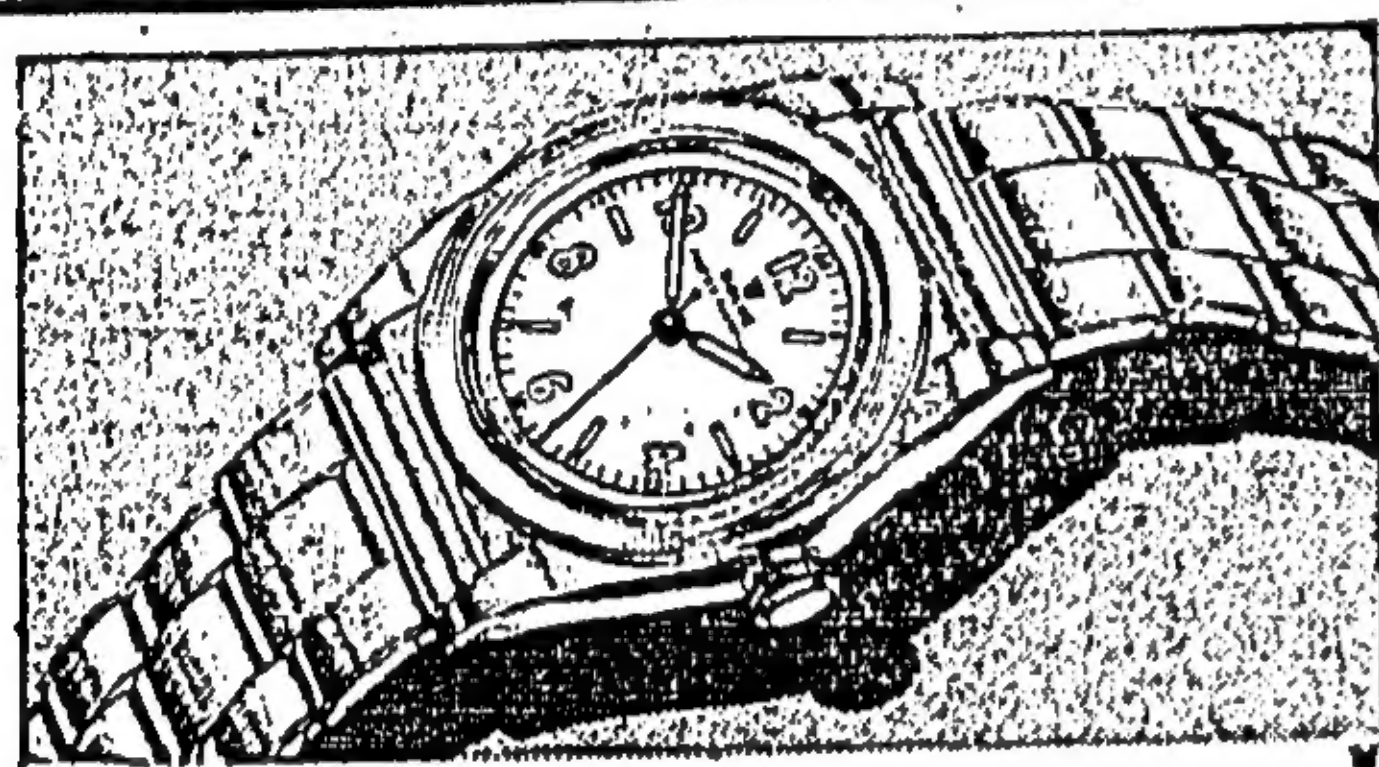
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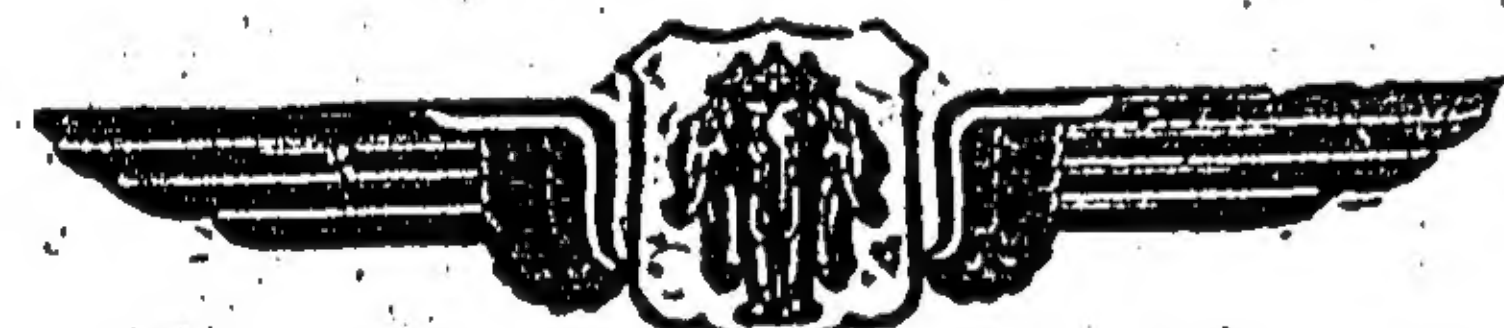
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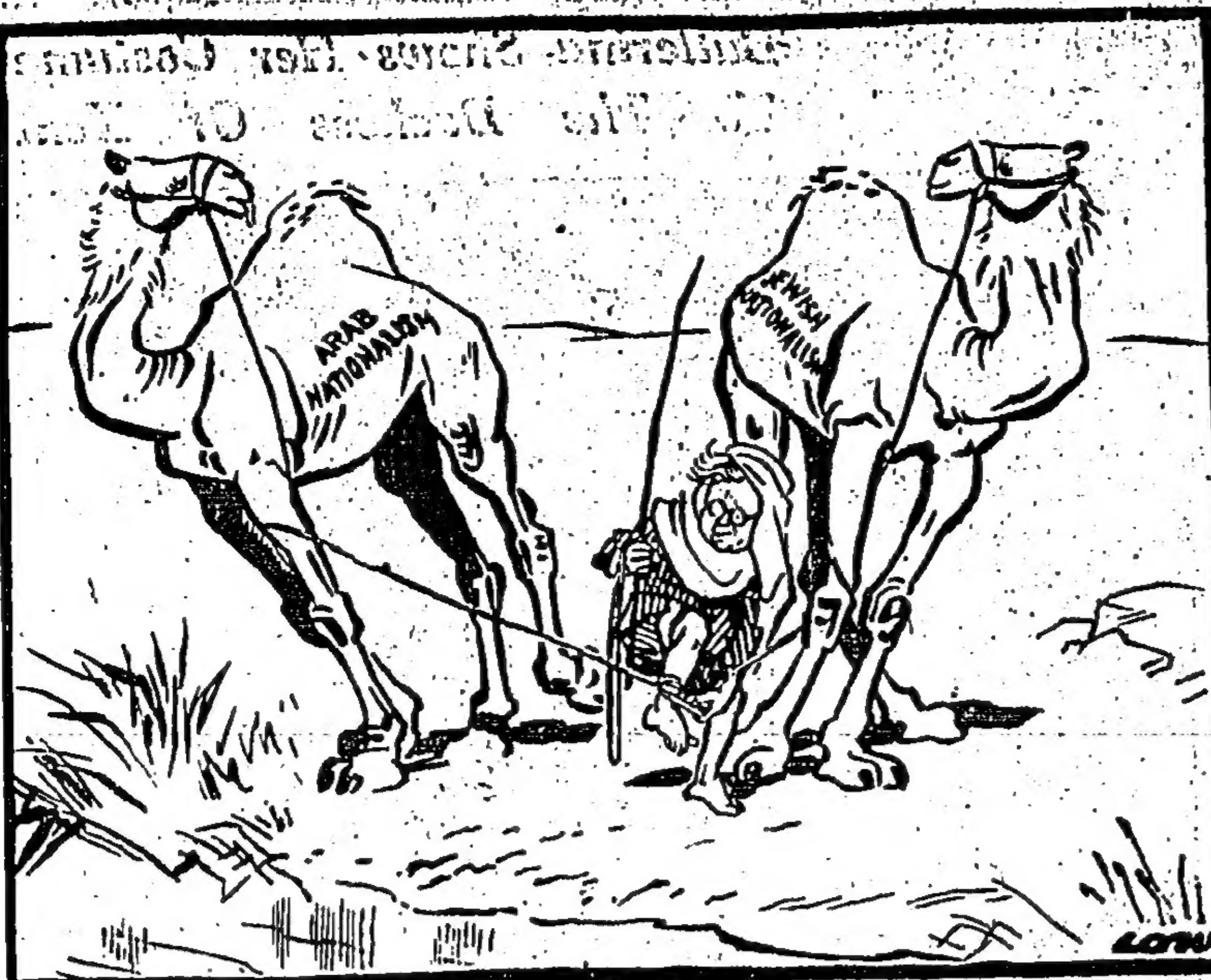
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TANGLED RELATIONS IN THE MIDDLE EAST

THE PROGRESS OF
SINGAPORE

(By A Special Correspondent)

ON the evening of January 28, 1819, two Englishmen and a Sepoy guard made their way in a small boat into the old Strait of Singapore. One of them was Thomas Stamford Raffles—destined to become the Founder of Singapore, among the greatest cosmopolitan centres in the world.

The vision and courage of Sir Stamford Raffles are recalled by the announcement that Singapore is to have the status of a city.

A life-size monument of Raffles now stands on a pedestal in front of the Victoria Memorial, in Empress Place, on the very spot where tradition has always held that he first landed.

Although he was only 37 at that time, Raffles had already saved Malacca from destruction and ruled Java as Lieutenant-Governor for five years.

His researches revealed the forgotten past of the island of Singapore, where a prosperous commercial centre had flourished under the name of Singapura in the thirteenth and fourteenth centuries, until it was destroyed by the Javanese about 1377; and his imaginative power had also suggested to him the immense strategic and commercial value of its position on the direct route to and from the Far East.

Took Lease

RAFFLES had been commissioned by the Governor-General of India to establish a trading station in Java or Johore, and he decided on Singapore. He first took a lease of a portion of the island from the then Sultan of Johore, and five years later the island was bought outright; within a very few years a new city sprang up.

Following the acceptance of British protection and guidance, the Malay States, hitherto an unhealthy, undeveloped, and sparsely populated territory, were transformed into the most prosperous of all Britain's tropical dependencies. In this development Singapore naturally played a primary part, for it was there that European processes of tin smelting were introduced in 1887, and it was also there that the director of the Botanical Gardens first exhibited cultivated rubber to the public—a crop which was to make Singapore the chief rubber export centre of the world, for its cultivation spread rapidly to the Peninsula, to Indonesia and to Borneo.

Population followed prosperously in a continuous upward curve. When the citizens were last counted in 1947, they numbered 335,144, of whom 729,473 were Chinese.

No Malta

THROUGHOUT the present century, Singapore has attracted people of all nationalities; the white community, including Britishers, Australians, New Zealanders, Canadians, Americans, French, Dutch, Swiss, Germans, Danes and Italians; the Malays; and a host of different kinds of Indonesians, with their traditional, colourful costumes, vying with Chinese, Indians, Arabs, Ceylonese, Filipinos, Siamese, Burmese, and occasionally, Thais, boys and men of the hills.

While the expectations of Raffles in relation to commerce had been amply gratified by 1914, in two major respects his aspirations remained unfulfilled. It was his opinion that Singapore, in view of its vital position in the line of trade and communications from the Mediterranean and the Indian Ocean to China and the Antipodes, should become the Malta of the East.

At the time of the outbreak of war with Germany in 1914, the adjacent islands of Blakang Mati and Pulau Brani were fortified, and Singapore boasted a garrison force of two battalions, but the Colony bore no resemblance to a Malta of the East. Indeed, on February 15 (unhappy date for Singapore) 1915, one of the battalions, the 5th Light Infantry, stationed at Alexandra Barracks, mutinied, and more than 40 white people were murdered before the rising was put down.

Naval Base

THE incident served to emphasise the Colony's defenceless position, particularly in a world where neighbouring Japan had gradually become the third leading naval power and was known to entertain ideas which were not in the best interest of the British Empire or the peace of the Far East.

The Imperial Conference, in 1921, therefore decided that Singapore should become a fortress, and by 1938 a first class naval base had been constructed, complete with graving and floating docks big enough to accommodate the largest capital ships; an air base was established and the garrison considerably strengthened—a Malta of the East, in fact, as Raffles had foreseen.

Unhappily, the world-embracing catastrophe which Hitlerite Germany unleashed the following year, joined by Japan in December 1941, found Great Britain desperately engaged in the battle in the West, and the attack which the Japanese launched against Singapore was via the hinterland of Malaya, thus emphasising the fundamental differences between the fortress of Singapore and that of Malta. Britain's naval and air strength was required at that time to protect the heart of the Empire and could not be diverted in sufficient quantities to save Singapore, and the tragedy in the Far East marched to its inevitable conclusion—in the surrender of Singapore, to enforced occupation on February 15, 1942.

Under Enemy

FOR three-and-a-half years, Malaya and Singapore were occupied by the Japanese, whose much vaunted co-prosperity sphere benefited no one, least of all the subjugated people. Thousands of Chinese and other nationals died at the hands of the Japanese before the liberating forces of the Southeast Asia Command, under Lord Louis (now Viscount) Mountbatten, fresh from their victories over the enemy in Burma, entered the city on September 3, 1945.

Six months later, Singapore became a separate Colony, the second of two other settlements—Penang and Malacca—ultimately joining the Federation of Malaya.

In 1923 Raffles College was opened as a centre for higher education of a university standard, and in 1949 the union of the College and the King Edward VII College of Medicine into the University of Malaya saw fulfilled the last and most resplendent of Raffles' visions of Malaya as the cultural centre of Southeast Asia.

Novelists and playwrights were accustomed in years gone by to invest Singapore with an aura of romantic mystery in which opium dens and secret Chinese societies played an exciting and colourful part, but the indisputable fact is that the island never earned the reputation which imaginative writers gave it. For many decades the yearly crime bill has been no more formidable than that of the average English town and the members of the public have been able to go about their lawful occupations without fear of molestation.

The first Statute incorporating the Municipal Commissioners of Singapore was the Straits Municipal Act of 1856, which provided for the election of Municipal Commissioners to carry into execution the provisions of that Act. From

1913 following reconstitution of the Municipal Commission, Commissioners were appointed by the Governor, and then in 1948, popular elections were introduced.

Today the Municipal area is run by a Commission of 27 Unofficial Members; the President is a seconded officer from the Singapore Government Service, and combines the duties of Mayor and Town Clerk in a U.K. town. Of the 27 members, nine are nominated by the Governor; the remaining 18 are elected by registered voters—British subjects over 21 years of age.

The Commission meets monthly in its own Council Chamber, which made its major appearance in history as the scene of the Japanese surrender to Lord Louis Mountbatten in 1945. In the buildings now hangs a Union Jack, preserved by internees throughout the Japanese occupation.

The day after, 250 Thames boatmen of the passenger pleasure boat service between Greenwich and Kew went on strike because—among other complaints—they were sick of the sight of women's legs climbing in and out of their boats, on and off the piers.

"They show as much as possible and giggle," said one irritable striker. "They ought to be slapped."

The following day a reader complained to a columnist: "My wife has always treated me badly, but during the last week or two she has bitten me savagely as soon as I arrive home."

THE VISIT THAT
STIRS CANADA

By Patrick Nicholson

OTTAWA. LIEUTENANT-Governors, Mayors, Red Indian chiefs, regimental colonels, Chambers of Commerce, and industrial magnates are battling for every inch of the 10,000-mile transcontinental tour of Princess Elizabeth and the Duke of Edinburgh this autumn.

Each boasts that his community offers Canada's most spectacular view, or most interesting gold mine, or most beautiful autumnal colours, or smartest Highland regiment, or most modern lumber camp, or warmest October weather, or best moose hunting, or most typical Canadian village, or most loyal tribe, or most dramatic oilfield.

They are all besieging the Government committee arranging the tour with urgent invitations that the Royal couple should halt on their particular place of the longest and most Royal-footstepped road carpet in the Commonwealth.

"Their Royal Highnesses will, of course, in the short time at their disposal, not be able to see all the places that they would like," warns Canada's Prime Minister.

So fur-trappers, prairie farmers, lumberjacks, miners, and busy workers are already planning to travel hundreds of miles to the transcontinental railway line to catch this once-in-a-lifetime glimpse of their future Queen.

Princess Elizabeth has some definite "musts" to do and see here, and wants two three-day private holiday stops "away from it all," which will be included in the suggested itinerary to be submitted for her approval shortly.

After landing at Quebec City, the oldest town in North America and once the luxurious capital of New France, the Royal party will visit Ottawa and the capitals of all 10 provinces and other large cities and industrial centres.

Their tour will include Montreal, the gay French-Canadian metropolis; Hamilton, the Sheffield of Canada and the home of the Argill and Sutherland Highlanders, of which Princess Elizabeth is Colonel-in-Chief; the twin lakehead ports of Fort William and Port Arthur, 2,000 astonishing miles inland from the ocean but through which sail wheat and flour for Britain.

There will be a holiday spirit among the welcoming crowds, which in Canada's champagne-like autumnal air will prove infectious to the visitors.

A special postage stamp will commemorate the visit two peaks of the Rockies will be named after the Edinburghs, and the Princess will be made Canada's first lady Privy Counsellor.

When they bid their last goodbye as they sail from Newfoundland after four crowded weeks, they will carry away unforgettable memories of loyal and devoted subjects who, generous to the Mother Country and faithful to its democratic freedoms, are conscientiously striving to fulfil the King's parting promise in 1939: "God's grace yours may yet be the example which all the world will follow."

They will sample Canada's huge industries and natural wealth; go half-a-mile under-

ground in the world's largest nickel mine; view the Commonwealth's biggest goldfield; behind the dramatic water curtain of Niagara Falls, which drive huge hydro-electric power stations; ride across endless flat prairies and rolling ranches, and drive along roads cut right through huge trees in western forests.

The Rockies. They will admire the breathtaking grandeur of the Rockies, probably in the spectacular drive through Kicking Horse Pass.

They will sail through the 80-mile Strait of Georgia, dotted with islands so beautiful that Queen Elizabeth wanted to buy one. "Why buy them, your Majesty?" asked the loyal steamship captain. "They are all yours now."

Cowboys in bright silk shirts and embroidered high-heeled boots, Redskins in white buckskin dress and feathered war bonnets, scout-doughs in plaid shirts, farmers in the garb of the Old West, and other Canadians of more than 50 racial origins, from every continent, will greet them with more Union Jacks and less formality than they have ever seen before.

David Williams, the shepherd from Glamis Castle, and William Whyte, the wheat farmer who was born on the Glamis estate, may be among the unexpected acquaintances who will greet them.

Chief Duck of the once ferocious Blackfoot Tribe will proudly show them his treasured picture of the Red Indians' beloved "Great White Queen," Victoria.

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Sitting on the
Fence.... by

NATHANIEL GUBBINS

THESE are the dog days, usually the hottest period of the year in the northern hemisphere, when the dog star, or Sirius, rises and sets with the sun, and when even good-tempered people become irritable, bad-tempered people violent.

Only an astrologer could tell you why Sirius causes such behaviour, but any ordinary man reading the newspapers can see that it's true.

In the Aldwych last week a man slapped his girl's face. Two other men protested. Brawls were exchanged. Four other men joined in, socking everybody within range. The police arrived and two were hustled off to the cooler.

The day after, 250 Thames boatmen of the passenger pleasure boat service between Greenwich and Kew went on strike because—among other complaints—they were sick of the sight of women's legs climbing in and out of their boats, on and off the piers.

"They show as much as possible and giggle," said one irritable striker. "They ought to be slapped."

As for poor little Dr. Mossadegh, the Persian Prime Minister, he has taken to his bed again in a temperature of 110 in the shade.

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Yes. Funny, isn't it? I'm 47?

Fond of sport? No. You fond of it?

Reading? Sometimes. I like it sometimes. Like films?

Some films. I like some films. What's your favourite colour? Haven't got one.

Neither have I. I say, Look. What at?

A cat. What? Over there. Licking its stomach. Yes.

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"Daddy can't give you any chips to play with because daddy hasn't got any chips!"

• BY • THE • WAY • by Beachcomber

THE Government seems to be afraid that a warping meat and sausages filled with powdered zinc will not attract healthy foreigners to the Festival. It has therefore decided to lure the sick from abroad by offering them free treatment under the Health Scheme. I suppose the remaining hotels will be taken over as hospitals, and the Carlton will be turned into a convalescent home for an ambulance park for tourists. The fun will start when a committee of specialists, who have decided that an Albanian tourist is suffering from malaria, receives orders from Whitehall to operate on him and give him a Grade A wig.

'Brimless' Fumbling
MR FUMBLING had just fallen asleep in his brimless bowler when he was awakened by a man who begged him to sign a statement saying: "It is not my brimless bowler, that matters, it is the aphrodisiacal properties of the bowler's brimless bowler. I can assure him that the hatier who supplied the bowler objected to this, and there was a

loud argument, which made further sleep impossible. Finally, Mr Fumbling ignored both men and accepted a dozen pots of Bimble's hair cream for his brimless bowler's good condition to a daily cleansing with that wonder-worker, Bimble for Smoothness.

O' today, a critic wrote yesterday, "She will no doubt become smoother in time," of which he already that singer has been pulled down to make room for an air-cooled egg, by daily application of the new preparation, the Bimble Cream, Rubiton, "A month ago," writes Mrs D. "My face was as rough as a dump of rusty tin and iron. Today it is like a butter-side."

Marginal note
O' all sad words of tongue or pen, the saddest are, "I have only a pair of official trousers."

To Tottenham Council an official has complained: "It is difficult to maintain a smart appearance with only one pair of official trousers." I can assure him that it is even more difficult with only one pair of unofficial trousers.

YOUR BIRTHDAY... By STELLA

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 8

BORN today, you are able to carry responsibility lightly. You can take on a lot of work, get it done efficiently and on time, and yet appear to have plenty of time for other things as well. There is, perhaps, one tool of the military in your makeup and you set up time schedules and detailed programmes which you follow as well as your own. This disciplining of your energy can help accomplish a great deal and it is probably one of the secrets of your early success. You are fond of travel and will want to visit as many foreign lands as possible during your life time. You have a keen understanding of people and are a good manager. You would do well in any kind of work in which you have to deal with the public. Personal work, politics, selling—all those fields are open to you.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 9

LEO (July 24-Aug. 23)—Best for you to stick to routine. Don't try out anything new. Tested techniques are best.
VIRGO (Aug. 24-Sept. 23)—Don't go off on a tangent if you are disappointed in some plans you had counted on. It won't help.
LIBRA (Sept. 24-Oct. 23)—You may wish to investigate an occult phenomenon or take a tool on the ground! Be scientific about it.
SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 23)—Renew contact with an old acquaintance. Make plans for future meeting which can bring pleasure.
SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 23)—If interviewing someone of importance, you must make a good impression. Combine business and pleasure.

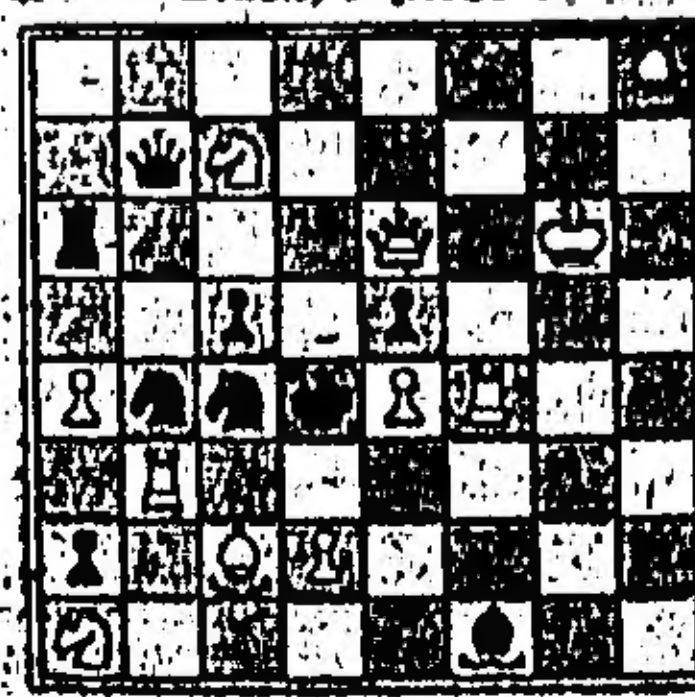
Check Your Knowledge

1. Of what country is King Farouk the ruler?
2. What language is made up of words of one syllable?
3. Name the valley in Germany which is famous for its wines.
4. What kind of sportsman is a toxophilite?
5. Name the island in New York harbour on which the Statue of Liberty stands.
6. In what countries did the following cheeses originate? Cheddar and Edam.

(Answers on Page 10)

CHESS PROBLEM

By O. OPPENHEIMER
Black, 9 pieces.



White, 11 pieces.
White to play, mate in two.
Solution to yesterday's problem:
1. Q-R4; any, 2. B, or Kt (ch, or B, or Kt) mate.

JACOBY ON BRIDGE

Double the Overall
And Pick Up Points

NORTH (D)			
AK9	AK9	AK9	AK9
AQ4	AQ4	AQ4	AQ4
A72	A72	A72	A72
8732	8732	8732	8732
WEST			
Q3	Q3	Q3	Q3
J973	J973	J973	J973
843	843	843	843
Q994	Q994	Q994	Q994
EAST			
QJ1087	QJ1087	QJ1087	QJ1087
Q3	Q3	Q3	Q3
KJ106	KJ106	KJ106	KJ106
A6	A6	A6	A6
SOUTH			
5432	5432	5432	5432
Q1086	Q1086	Q1086	Q1086
A85	A85	A85	A85
K108	K108	K108	K108
Neither vul.			
North East South West			
1 N.T.	2 4	Pass	Pass
Double	Pass	3 4	Pass
Pass	Pass		
Opening lead—4 6			

By OSWALD JACOBY

FEW players take enough advantage of the opening bid of one no-trump. If your partner makes this opening bid you can double an opponent's overall with a very meagre strength and a very light trump holding.

In today's hand, for example, South should double the overall of two spades. He knows that North has nearly half the strength in the deck, and his own high cards are more than enough to make it a cinch that the opponents are outbid in high cards.

True, South is not happy as a large trump holding with three trumps. However, he expects his partner to have three spades for the no-trump bid. Hence the combined North-South hands should contain six trumps and by far more high cards than the East-West hands. How can East expect to win eight tricks against such a combination?

When the hand was actually played, South missed his chance to double. However, North came to the rescue by doubling when two spades was passed around. At this point South should have passed the double with glee and attitude to say nothing of greed. East would have gone for 300 points without the slightest doubt.

South decided to run out of a good spot into a bad one. His contract of three hearts went down automatically and indignantly. He was bound to lose a spade, a trump, a diamond, and two clubs even he stood on his head (although that was one thing he didn't actually try).

Part of the value of a strong opening bid of one no-trump is that it silences the opposition. This value is lost if you let the enemy get away with an interference bid that should be punished.

CARD SENSE

Q—The bidding has been: North East South West
1 Diamond Pass 2 Spades Pass
3 Clubs Pass 4 Hearts Pass
5 Clubs Pass 6 Spades Pass
7 Clubs Pass 8 Spades Pass
9 Clubs Pass 10 Spades Pass
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"COULIS"	Salong & Phnompenh	10 a.m. 14th Aug.
"SZECHUEN"	Yokohama, Nagoya, Osaka & Kobe	5 p.m. 17th Aug.
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"CHANGTE"	Australia & Manila	a.m. 10th Aug.
"Kobe"	Kobe	15th Aug.
"CHANGSHA"	Australia & Manila	18th Aug.
"CHANGTE"	Japan	30th Aug.

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"AENEAS"	Liverpool & Glasgow	9th Aug.
"AUTOMEDON"	Havre, London & Holland	23rd Aug.
"AGAPENOR"	Dublin & Liverpool	25th Aug.
"MARON"	Marseilles, Liverpool & Glasgow	6th Sept.
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Sails	Arrives
"AUTOMEDON"	14th Aug.
"PERSEUS"	15th Aug.
"MYRMIDON"	29th Aug.
"MARON"	4th Sept.
"BELLEROPHON"	8th Sept.
"PYRRHUS"	13th Aug. 17th Aug.
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"BENAYON"	do	23rd Sept.

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"BENLOR"	Kobe & Yokohama	12th Aug.
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Preparing For Whale Oil Hunt

London, Aug. 7.
The world's whaling ships—one can come back with a catch worth 2,100,000—were getting ready for a winter season in which competition in the Antarctic hunting grounds is expected to be keener than ever.

The British ships, Balena and Southern, with a fleet of smaller catches and fitting out and will be joined next month by two more factory ships, the Southern Harvester and Southern Venture.

Japan and the Argentine are also going in for big-scale whaling this winter.
Japan has a 23,000-ton factory ship and the 30,000-ton Juno, both nearly ready for the Argentine at a Belfast shipyard.

Italy, Germany, Holland, the U.S. and Norway are also expected to send ships.
Whale oil fetches about £100 a ton—London Express Service.

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Iranian Oilfields Shutdown Having Little Effect

Washington, Aug. 7.
Virtual shutdown of Iranian oil operations may cause far less hardship upon the rest of the world than most people considered possible three or six months ago.

Then, it was generally believed, Iran's threats to nationalise her oil wells and oust the British operators would seriously cripple a Western Europe almost completely dependent upon oil from outside sources.

Although little oil is now being shipped from Iran, the hardship has not been manifest. British tankers, which formerly carried Iran's oil westward now are employed to carry off the vastly expanded supplies from other fields. The world oil industry has pooled everything to take up the slack.

Of course, the Iranian oil shut-off was months in developing. Prudent oil users built up stockpiles. So the squeeze, has not yet been felt.

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Via Southampton, Port Said, Aden, Bombay, Colombo, Penang & Singapore.

Homewards	Leaves Hongkong	Due London
"EASTHANGER"	31st August	1st October
"CORFU"	23rd September	25th October
"CANTON"	20th October	20th November

Accepting cargo for Singapore, Penang, Colombo, Bombay, Aden, Port Said & London.

Freight Service

Outwards	Due Hongkong	From
"EASTHANGER"	10th September	London & Continent
"CORFU"	23rd September	London & Continent
"CANTON"	20th September	London & Continent

Accepting cargo for Singapore, Port Swettenham, Penang, Colombo, Aden, Port Said, Penang, Malacca, London, Hamburg, Antwerp & Rotterdam, with liberty to call at Bombay if necessary.

Tanks available for carriage of oil in bulk. Space for refrigerated cargo. Limited passenger accommodation.

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"HINDSHANA"	In Port	from Japan
"CORFU"	10th Sept.	from Singapore, Colombo, Penang, Malacca & Ceylon.

MESSAGERIES MARITIMES



ARRIVALS		
"OUISTREHAM"	from Japan	16th Aug.
"LA MARSEILLAISE"	from Kobe & Yokohama	21st Aug.
SAILINGS		
"LA MARSEILLAISE"	to Japan	9th Aug.
"LA MARSEILLAISE"	to Marseilles	22nd Aug.

PASSENGER/FREIGHT SERVICE		
"OUISTREHAM"	N. Africa & Europe	17th Aug.
"MERON"	N. Africa & Europe	30th Aug.
"MEINAM"	N. Africa & Europe	21st Sept.

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"OUISTREHAM"	N. Africa & Europe	17th Aug.
"MERON"	N. Africa & Europe	30th Aug.
"MEINAM"	N. Africa & Europe	21st Sept.

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Business Output In America Near A Record

New York, Aug. 7.

Business and industry are turning out goods at near record levels to keep abreast of defence orders. But their operations are less profitable than in pre-Korean days.

Many an industry has well-filled order books. For instance, the nation's shipyards report enough work to keep them busy well into 1953.

Even the languishing textile industry has received some hefty Government orders. Earnings reports are good. Sales are terrific in many cases. But taxes are taking a tremendous bite out of profits. Costs are higher. The report of United States Steel Corporation the nation's No. 1 steel producer, is a case in point. US Steel shipped a record 6,400,000 net tons of steel products in the second quarter. Sales climbed to a record \$600,140,191. But a provision of \$100,000,000 for Federal income taxes in the first half was more than double the first half of 1950. And net income for the first six months was equal to \$3.01 a share, compared with \$4.08 a year ago.

All steel mills have to move briskly to meet the needs of the many industries dependent upon them. They are producing at 101.5 per cent of rated capacity. This was the 22nd consecutive week they operated above their rating. Freight carloadings totalled 819,875, the best since July 6. Crude oil production hit 6,125,100 barrels, a record high. Electric power production was 7,005,201 kilowatt hours, highest since February 3. Automobile production dropped to 116,924 units from the previous week's 132,378. The chief cause was materials curtailment, which halted many of the huge General Motors assembly lines. Labour difficulties were a factor but a less serious one than recently. Hudson was idle all week and Studebaker a day, but disputes at other plants subsided.

BUYING DOWN
Strikes in the freight car building industry and at the Caterpillar Tractor Company plant went to a drug, production goals in other lines. Dues and Bradstreet reported consumer buying down a bit with a growing number of shoppers spurning high priced merchandise.

Retail sales in the country for August were expected to hit around \$12,400,000,000 by the Magazine Sales Management. This would be a three per cent under the sales volume of August, 1950, but the magazine pointed out it was not as poor a picture as it appeared at first glance. The volume of last August was a record because of the buying spree touched off by the Korean war. Sales Management explains.

The comparison is not quite a fair one. Summer sales have moved some of the inventories that choked up warehouses and shelves with civilian goods. Many retailers believe the bulk of their remaining inventory troubles will be taken care of during the Autumn.

Many economists see a continued soft situation in civilian business during the current quarter. But most of them expect a recovery during the closing three months of the year.—Associated Press.

Price Cuts In Sweden

Stockholm, Aug. 7.
It was officially announced that the price of Swedish-made cotton products will be cut between 8 and 12 per cent shortly.

Lower prices of imported American and Brazilian cotton and a proportionally larger import from the United States have been the reason.—United Press.

Licensing Of Cotton Allocations Nearing End

Washington, Aug. 7.
The Commerce Department reported today that it expects to complete the licensing of the 250,000 bales of raw cotton allocation for India this week.

The licensing of the 120,000 bales allocation for Belgium and Luxembourg is also expected to be completed this week.

The Department said that export licenses covering 234,529 bales of raw cotton were issued during the two weeks ending August 6.

Of this, 174,187 bales were the United Kingdom, 24,310 bales for Japan, 12,840 bales for Switzerland and 11,474 bales for Belgium and Luxembourg.

The Department said, "Licence applications for shipments to Italy, Japan and other countries whose cotton export quotas are not over-subscribed are being processed as received."

"However, in a number of cases, licensing has been slowed up, because applicants furnished incomplete documents."

The Department also announced that the distribution of part of the contingency reserve stocks made since the allocations increase in the preliminary cotton allocations announced on July 27.

The distribution was as follows: Burma, 1,000 bales; Thailand, 2,000 bales; Jamaica, 1,000 bales; Ethiopia, 1,000 bales; Ceylon, 1,000 bales; Dominican Republic, 2,000 bales; Greece, 7,000 bales; and Guatemala, 1,000 bales.—United Press.

United Press.

JAPAN'S TRADE EXPANSION

Economic Partnership With United States

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

London, Aug. 7.

Price movements on the Stock Exchange were irregular in a narrow range today.

Leading industrial issues showed some firmness. Oil issues eased toward the close. Mining stocks were dull.

A few British Government bonds shed minor fractions. Most foreign bonds chalked up small gains or held at last week's levels.

The Financial Times Index was 130.7.

Japanese bonds

"A" (4s. of 1939)..... 65 1/2

"B" (4s. of 1940)..... 57

"C" (5s. of 1937)..... 83 1/2

"D" (5s. of 1934)..... 70 1/2

"E" (5s. of 1934)..... 102 1/2

Consols..... 85 1/2

—Associated Press and United Press.

WALL ST. LOSSES

New York, Aug. 7.

The stock market was unable to move ahead today despite periods of strength in rails and steel, holding the promise of rising leadership.

Active issues lost as much as two dollars a share or a little more. Gains in some instances extended to nearly two dollars among leaders. Volume was around 1,700,000 shares.

Stocks holding higher included Texas Company, Air-Conditioning, Bethlehem Steel, US Steel, Chrysler and Douglas Aircraft.

Lower were Gulf Oil, Kennecott Copper, Homestake Mining, Dow Chemical, American Woolen, Goodrich Rubber and Woolworth.

The club market edged a little higher. Rises included US and International securities and Venezuela Petroleum.

Dow Jones Averages:
20 Industrials..... 264.94
10 Rails..... 82.41
10 Utilities..... 55.55

—Associated Press.

Wheat Price Strength

Chicago, Aug. 7.

Wheat developed independent strength at the Board of Trade. Other grains went along, but oats was inclined to be weaker.

Close: 1 1/2—2 cents higher.

September..... 22.57 1/2-40

December..... 24.37 1/2

March..... 24.37 1/2

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Increased Estimates For Industrial Production

Tokyo, Aug. 7.

Japan, which has made a fortune out of the Korean war, is now preparing boldly to exploit the advantages of economic partnership with the United States as peace looms uneasily in Korea.

The Economic Stabilisation Board, in a private report to the Japanese Government, has indicated that, despite the falling out in war orders, promised American industrial orders and assured markets in South-East Asia, in the wake of the Japanese peace treaty, will guarantee continued expansion of Japanese trade.

The Board, in fact, confidently submits a vigorous upward revision of all industrial production targets for the year.

The opinion is frankly—not to say cynically—expressed that Japan can rely on growing rather than falling demand for her goods in the United States and Britain in the one hand, and Soviet Russia on the other, thereby compelling the United States and Britain to maintain industrial concentration on arm production.

Accordingly, the United States must proceed with its stated post-war policy of using Japan as an industrial annex, and Japan will be able to exploit markets in which British competition in particular will be correspondingly weakened.

Heavy industry, textiles, and light metals are all expected to maintain and increase their current strong recovery schedule.

The Economic Stabilisation Board also believes that trade with Red China will develop if and when the Korean shooting stops, reopening that huge market to Japan and ensuring cheap supplies of iron ore and coal for Japan.

REVEALING
The Board's new estimates for production increases are revealing. The production index estimated for the current fiscal year (April 1951 to March, 1952) has originally been set at 129.5 (the 1934-36 average), represents 100. In fact, however, March April and May production reached 130.8, 132.3 and 133 respectively.

The production target will now be raised to 140, a highly conservative estimate, which will certainly be exceeded if supply, resources and the developed but which in any case is 34 per cent above the 1950 average.

All important Japanese industries recorded new "high" in Japan—crude petroleum, refined petroleum products, cement, calcium carbide, soda ash, and hydrochloric acid.

Japan's steel production was actually up 13 per cent of the all-time high of 1943, when Japan was excelling its maximum war effort. Yet operations were at the rate of only 59 per cent of capacity.

NO SUBSIDIES
It must be remembered also that this steel production achievement owed nothing to Government subsidies. As cut-price interests, more efficient operation will be assured, unless costs will be reduced, and the competitive position of Japan's steel industry will be correspondingly improved.

There have also been heavy gains in the industrial machinery field, with an output which more than doubled last year's. Although under Japan's own new bid expanding estimates, Japan's exports should increase during the year by 1,535,000,000 to 1,535,000,000.

When expected United States procurement orders and invisible trade are added, foreign currency income will total approximately U.S. \$2,000,000,000. Imports are expected to increase by U.S. \$1,000,000,000 to U.S. \$1,070,000,000.

NEW ORLEANS MARKET
Spot..... 34.35
October..... 34.27-34.28
December..... 34.39
March (1952)..... 34.39-34.40
May..... 34.34 bid
July..... 34.00 bid
October..... 32.73

—United Press.

TEXTILE MARKET
New York, Aug. 7.
The cotton textile market was hesitant today, with mills and buyers awaiting the Government forecast of the 1951 cotton crop to be issued on Wednesday.

The wool goods market was dull. Rayon goods were quiet. Associated Press.

QUOTAS STABILISED
Washington, Aug. 7.
The United States Department of Commerce today stabilised eight countries' cotton export quotas for the August-November period.

A quota of 7,000 bales was announced for Greece.—Reuter.

Pepper Market
New York, Aug. 7.
The black pepper market ruled quiet and generally unchanged. Dealers reported little evidence of grinding inquiry. White peppers remained hesitant about offerings in view of the higher replacement cost in India.

Spot black pepper was quoted at around \$1.00, and monthly deliveries at around \$1.00 a pound.

The New York Produce Exchange reported that the black pepper in licensed warehouses as of July 31 totalled 16,100 tons, compared with 16,100 tons in June.

Spices and other commodities were quiet. Associated Press.

NEW YORK BANK QUOTATIONS
New York, Aug. 7.
Domestic sugar futures No. 6 closed four to five lower, with sales of 410 contracts.

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Russians Given US Congress Resolution

Moscow, Aug. 7. A United States Congressional resolution affirming friendship for the Russian people was made public tonight for circulation among scores of millions of Soviet citizens.

Moscow Radio broadcast the resolution together with a covering letter from President Truman in response to a resolution by the Presidium of the Supreme Soviet and a letter from President Nikita Khrushchev to President Truman.

As is always done in such cases, not only all the Soviet radio networks but all the important newspapers and magazines will carry the exchange, making it available to virtually every Russian.

Thus the Russians completed a cycle begun precisely a month ago when Mr. Truman forwarded a Congressional resolution to Mr. Khrushchev with his letter. The resolution, adopted by both Houses of Congress, asked Mr. Truman to convey to the Soviet Government assurances that neither the Government of the United States nor its people want war with Russia. The resolution asked the Soviet Government to communicate the message to its people.

CAUSE OF DELAY

The Russians followed their practice concerning important documents on foreign relations by publishing the message and the reply at the same time. That might explain the month's delay in acknowledging Mr. Truman's message. Mr. Khrushchev presumably waited for the Supreme Soviet to study the Congressional resolution and prepare its reply.

Late today, the Press Department of the Foreign Ministry announced that Mr. Shvernik's letter to Mr. Truman, proposing a five-point pact, together with the Supreme Soviet resolution would be broadcast at 4 p.m. GMT. The chief of the Press Department, Mr. Yuriy Frantsev, summoned foreign correspondents at 3 p.m. GMT and gave them the text of the letter and the resolution.

A Little later, the home service

branch of Radio Moscow broadcast the text of all four documents. Western observers hailed the exchange as a positive development with interesting possibilities but few, if any, believed or ventured to hope Soviet-American relations would improve as a direct result. United Press.

Canton Reds' New Action

Communist authorities in Canton have declared the port of Whampoa to be closed to foreign shipping except to vessels of those countries which have diplomatic relations with Red China, according to a Chinese Press report.

The report said that barricades have been erected around the godowns and anti-aircraft guns have been installed in various strategic parts of the island.

It is said that foreign vessels calling at Canton are required to moor at designated anchorages for discharging their cargo. Crew members are not allowed ashore.

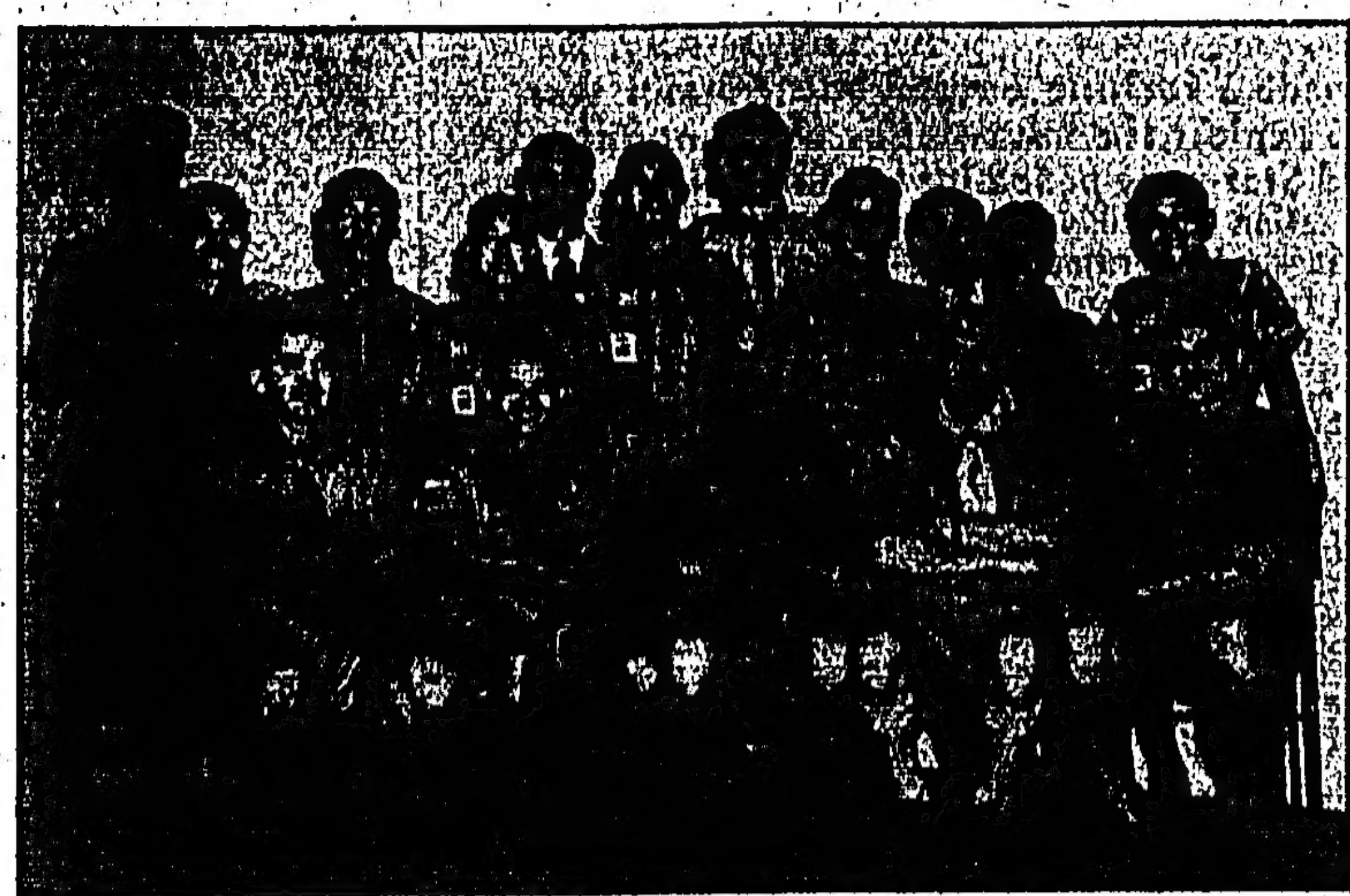
Used Petrol, Not Paraffin

Fung Kwan, owner and licensee of motor junk M3887, was fined \$150 by Mr. W. Sprague at the Marine Court this morning for using petrol instead of paraffin as specified in his licence, and for carrying insufficient life saving apparatus while underway.

Intercepted off Kau I Chau on Sunday, the junk, the master of which was fined yesterday for failing to renew his licence and for carrying dangerous goods, was found to have only three life jackets, instead of 12, and two fire extinguishers, instead of four. It had 100 gallons of petrol aboard.

Defendant said the boat was sold up in Macao for several months, and the life saving apparatus deteriorated.

Hongkong Scouts Entertained



The seven Hongkong scouts who have been staying in England for a few weeks before leaving for the International Jamboree in Austria were entertained recently by former members of the Hongkong Services Rover Crew. In this picture they are seen with members of the branch who were able to attend the reunion. Front row (left to right) are Bert Roberts, Hon Chi-choi (in charge of the Chinese scouts), J. M. Shrubbs (President of the HKSRC), E. A. Newton and H. Carter. Standing behind the Chinese scouts are Jack Wright, John Bissington, Bill Vincent and George Stollery.—Photo by James B. Wright.

JAPANESE PEACE TREATY

New Delhi Still Awaits US Reply To Proposals

Washington, Aug. 7. Indian officials said today the United States still has not replied to their suggestions concerning the Japanese peace treaty, so it is impossible for the New Delhi Government to say whether it will send representatives to the San Francisco conference.

The officials said the decision to attend could not be made until the special presidential representative, Mr. John Foster Dulles, makes some answer to the Indian observations which were handed him about 10 days ago by the Indian Minister, M. K. Kirpalani.

The Indians asked the following revision in the Anglo-American draft text for the treaty:

1. Elimination of any references to foreign troops being stationed in and around Japan after the pact.
2. Retention by Japan of the Ryukyus and Bonin Islands instead of their being placed under American trusteeship.
3. Specific legislation of the Yalta decisions giving Formosa to China and the Kurile Islands and South Sakhalin to the Soviet Union.

The Indian officials said they hoped that the United States would be able to reply within a few days. "So New Delhi might have sufficient time to study the response and decide whether to attend the conference."

REJECTION CERTAIN

American officials have indicated that they intend to reject virtually all the Indian suggestions. They are convinced that American trusteeship for the Ryukyus and Bonins is necessary to ensure the defence of anti-Communist areas of the Pacific.

Whether the Americans would be willing to delete from the treaty any references to a bilateral security pact they intend to conclude with Japan as soon as the peace treaty is signed is not yet certain. It was considered possible that they might make this concession in order to soften their refusal to take other Indian requests.

Meanwhile, Mr. Dulles and his aides were meeting in continuous conferences to study a number of objections to the treaty which came in during the past few days. The most recent of these was the Indonesian demand that plebiscites be held in all territories to be detached from Japan to determine the wishes of the inhabitants of the areas concerned.

The Indonesians also demanded reparations and objected to the fact that the San Francisco conference will not afford a sufficient scope for discussion.

On Way To Korea

Replacements for the French forces fighting in Korea with the United Nations contingents arrived here this morning by the mv La Marsellaise from France in transit to Japan.

Headed by a lieutenant, the group of about 70 veteran soldiers will be transhipped to South Korea on arrival at Japan. They will leave Hongkong tomorrow night.

Burma Faces Budget Loss

Rangoon, Aug. 7. New government schemes and the price of fighting rebels are likely to give Burma another deficit budget, the semi-official New Times of Burma reported.

The cost of maintaining embassies abroad and increased wages for government employees are other likely contributory factors, the paper said.

Burmese Finance Minister U Tin will announce the new budget for the financial year 1951-52 when Parliament meets at the end of August.

The New Times said the Burmese government will try to close the gap between income and expenditure through increased rice exports, the main prop of its economy.

Disappointed Pilgrims

Manila, Aug. 8. More than 1,000 Moro pilgrims who were unable to board the Hongkong-owned ss. Hoi How for Mecca because it was already loaded to twice its capacity were reported by the Philippines News Service as returning to their homes in Cotabato Province today.

The disappointed pilgrims arrived at a port a few miles from Combalto City, but found the vessel already heavily loaded with Moros.—Associated Press.

VERY DANGEROUS ACTION

Saying that he regarded the carrying of petrol in crowded harbours as being very dangerous, Mr. W. Sprague, at the Marine Court this morning, fined Ng Tse-lung, 24, owner of junk T740011, \$200. Defendant, who said he bought the boat recently from a Chinese, was also fined \$40 for failing to produce a licence for the vessel. He was taken into custody at Aberdeen by the Police, who acted on information received.

Mr Desmond Hindmarsh Found Dead In Bed

Well-Known HK Architect

Mr Desmond E. Hindmarsh, prominent Hongkong architect, was found dead in his bed at the Hongkong Club this morning. Mr. Hindmarsh died from natural causes.

The late Mr. Hindmarsh, who was a member of the firm of Leigh and Orange, was 38 years of age.

Shop Foki Robs Employer

Pleading guilty to two counts of stealing \$7,563 from his employer and causing a public mischief by making false statement to the Police that he had been robbed of the money, Chung Kee-man, 20-year-old shop foki, was sentenced to six months by Mr. Latimer at Central this morning.

Outlining the circumstances of the case, Det. Insp. F. Roberts of the Central Police Station, said that defendant was employed in the United States Medicine Company, Wing Lok Street. At about 11 a.m. yesterday \$8,000 was given by his employer to defendant, together with four paying-in bank books, for the money to be deposited in the Yuen Yieh Commercial Bank, Des Voeux Road Central.

Later defendant returned to the shop and reported that he had been held up by two men, one of whom armed with a pistol, had robbed him of the money.

PROF. MIDDLETON SMITH Dies In Guernsey

News was received in Hongkong of the death of Professor Cades Alfred Middleton Smith, L.D., M.Sc., M.I. Mech. E., A.A.I.E.E., who died at his home at 15, Cliff Road, Guernsey, Channel Islands on Tuesday, July 31.

The deceased was Emeritus Professor of Mechanical Engineering of the Hongkong University and retired in 1939.

Professor Smith who was a very keen musician, was Past Master of University Lodge No. 3369 E.C. and also Past District

When a report was made to the Police defendant described in detail the two men he said had robbed him. Police action was immediately taken and a force of 150 men was sent to posts at various strategic points, ferry wharves, road blocks and even in Kowloon. Four Police vans were used.

About 12.30 p.m. defendant was being taken to various places to try and identify the men he alleged had robbed him. Then defendant told Insp. Roberts that he had hidden the money.

Insp. Roberts was eventually led to the store room of the Medicine Company and hidden in some boxes was a paper parcel which, when opened, contained the sum of \$7,563. The remainder of the money was found in the paying-in book.

The prosecution pointed out that defendant received a monthly salary of \$35 and was given food and lodging. His father recently died in the country and he had borrowed money to meet expenses for his father's funeral.

Defendant told the Court that he had produced the money himself and asked for leniency.

Search For A Hoodlum

San Francisco, Aug. 7. Police today concentrated their search for a young Chinese hoodlum as a suspect in the robbery-murder of Der Lok, 51-year-old Chinese merchant and lottery operator.

Homicide inspectors said the suspect slipped out of town on Sunday. Der was stabbed to death on Friday night and his killer got away with between \$28,000 and \$30,000.

The latest suspect had been linked to the robbery three years ago of the treasury of the Hop Sing Tong in Seattle, officers said.

Police detained Ong Sum Mo, 28, seaman and distant relative of the murdered man, for questioning but released him, Miller, 34, who police said, was an inmate of a prison in Seattle, told the Associated Press.

Living Language

Why we say Jeep.

GI Joe is famous all over the world for (among other things) the nick-names he invents. They stick. Best-known is "Jeep." When the U.S. armed forces took this powerful, all-purpose car to Europe it was officially called a "reconnaissance car." Then it became a "quad-car" because it took four men. Finally GI Joe noticed the letters "G.P." (general purposes) painted on the side, and called it a "Jeep." That settled it.

SOUTHEAST ASIA CAN BE WOODED

Says Dean Rusk

Washington, Aug. 7. Mr. Dean Rusk, US Assistant Secretary of State, told Senators today Southeast Asia is full of "fence sitters," who can be won over from Communism by American aid.

Mr. Rusk testified in a closed session of the Senate Foreign Relations and Armed Services Committees considering a \$8,500,000 foreign assistance bill.

Chairman Tom Connally quoted the State Department official as asserting that the proposed \$8,500,000 programme of military and economic aid for Southeast Asia cannot be cut.

"We cannot do substantially less," Mr. Rusk told the Committees, "because of the nature of the specific job to be done in each country." He cited as examples the rehabilitation requirements of Formosa.

He said the economic programme in Indonesia, Burma and Thailand are minimum programmes designed to prove the American interest in these countries.

"There are a great many fence sitters there and it is very important that we demonstrate our interest," he declared.—Associated Press.

INTELLIGENCE TEST SOLUTION

If this data are set out in tabular form, the necessary inferences should be obvious to the student. Here is the completed table:

FATHERS

George Mason: captain
Fred Sermon: corporal
Henry Coleman: corporal
Henry Coleman: corporal
Will Corporal: major

CHECK YOUR KNOWLEDGE

Answers

1. Egypt, 2. The Chinese language, 3. The Rhine Valley, 4. An archer, 5. Bedouin—The Netherlands, Island, 6. Cheddar—England.

SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



"I told you he'd get his self-confident! Look, now he even talks to girls on the phone at home!"

Mail Notices

Registered articles and parcels made close one hour earlier than the ordinary mail times shown below.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 8

By Air

Formosa, 5 p.m.; A.I.C. Airways, Japan, Korea, 5 p.m.; B.O.A.C., Siam, Burma, Malaya, Indonesia, Australia, New Zealand, 5 p.m. P.O.A.S.

By Surface

Macao, 5 p.m.; S.S. Hui Men/Tak Shing, 5 p.m.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 9

By Air

Via C.P.A. By Surface

Macao, 5 p.m.; S.S. Hui Men/Tak Shing, 5 p.m.

By Air

Formosa, 5 p.m.; S.S. Hui Men/Tak Shing, 5 p.m.

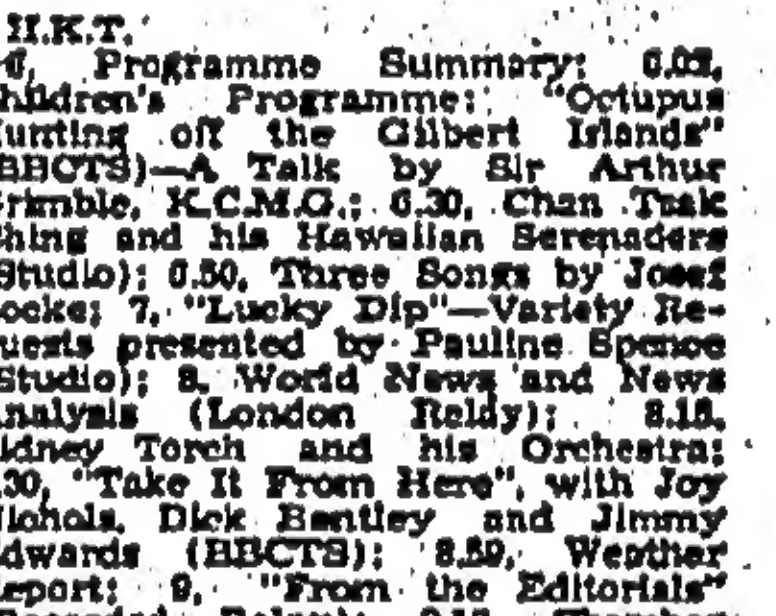
By Surface

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Radio Hongkong

I.R.T. Programme Summary: 6.02, Children's Programme: "Cephus Hunting off the Gilbert Islands" (B.C.T.)—A Talk by Sir Arthur Grimble, C.M.G., 6.30, Chan Tsak Ching and his Hawaiian Serenaders (Studio); 6.35, Three Songs by Josef Locke; 7, "Lucky Dip"—Variety Requests presented by Pauline Spence (Studio); 7.15, News and News Analysis (London Relay); 8.15, Sydney Torch and his Orchestra; 8.30, "Take It From Here" with Joy Nichols, Dick Bentley and Jimmy Edwards (B.C.T.); 8.50, Weather Report; 9, "From the Editorials" (Recorded Relay); 9.10, Chamber Music—Sonata No. 2 in E-flat Major, Op. 12, No. 2 (Brahms); 9.30, Wednesday Night Theatre—Cyril Frangon-Davies and Anton Welbrook (B.C.T.)—In "Happy and Goodnight" by Laurence Houston; 11, Radio Newsworld (London Relay); 11.15, Goodnight Music; 11.20, Weather Report; God Save the King; 11.30, Close down.

Prof. Middleton Smith



Grand Warden of the District Grand Lodge, South China, in 1934. The deceased was also the Secretary and Treasurer of the Charter Masonic Scholarship Fund for many years.

During the last war the Professor escaped from the Channel Islands and worked in England, returning to Guernsey when the war terminated.

The deceased is survived by his wife, two sons and a daughter, all of whom are in England.

S'PORE MAN DETAINED

An application for the detention and surrender of Leslie Marro, 33, unemployed, giving his address as room 440 Peninsula Hotel, was made to Mr. Latimer by Det. Insp. F. Roberts at Central this morning.

As a result of the application, Marro was remanded for three days in Police custody pending Police escort from Singapore.

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